

APPENDIX B

CRITERIA FOR ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES FOR SAAM, JOINT AIRBORNE, AND AIR TRANSPORTABILITY TRAINING OR EXERCISES

NOTE: An urgency of need or the existence of valid circumstances other than those for which channel airlift normally would be used must be established by competent authority before these priorities can be used. Eligible traffic will conform to the following priorities:

Priority 1A: Covers requirements to support:

1. Missions that support the President of the United States or Secret Service (approved by the Military Assistant to the President) will be identified Priority 1A(1) PHOENIX BANNER. Missions that support the Vice President or Secret Service are identified by the nickname PHOENIX SILVER. The U.S. Air Force project officer for Presidential flight support is the only source of assigning priority to PHOENIX BANNER and PHOENIX SILVER missions.

2. U.S. forces and other forces or activities in combat designated by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

3. Programs that have been approved by the President for top national priority.
NOTE: Such programs are set forth in the BRICK-BAT 01 category of the latest DoD Master Urgency List.

4. Special weapons.

Priority 1B: Covers requirements to support:

1. Missions specifically directed by the Office of the Secretary of Defense or the Joint Chiefs of Staff. PHOENIX COPPER missions which directly support the Secret Service when not supporting the President or Vice President,

2. Units, projects, or plans specifically approved for implementation by the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Priority 2A. Covers requirements to support:

1. U.S. forces or activities and foreign forces or activities that are being deployed or are positioned and maintained in a state of readiness for immediate combat or direct combat or direct combat support.

2. Industrial production activities engaged in repair, modification, or manufacture of primary weapons, equipment, and supplies to prevent an impending work stoppage or to reinstitute production if a stoppage has already occurred or when the material is required to accomplish emergency or controlling jobs.

Priority 2B: Covers requirements to support:

1. JCS--directed exercises.
2. JCS--coordinated exercises.

Priority 3A Covers requirements to support:

1. Readiness or evaluation tests when airlift is required to support unit inspection or evaluation tests, including emergency deployment readiness exercises.
2. U.S. forces or activities and foreign forces or activities maintained in a state of readiness to deploy for combat and other activities essential to combat forces.

Priority 3B: Covers requirements to support:

1. Service training when airborne operations or airlift support is integral to combat readiness, e.g., field training exercises, proficiency airdrop, and air assault.
2. Combat support training, e.g., flare drops, unconventional warfare activities, and Joint Airborne Communication Center or Command Post.
3. Service schools requiring airborne, airdrop, or air transportability training as a part of the program of instruction.
4. Airdrop or air transportability or aircraft certification of new or modified equipment.

Priority 4A Covers requirements to support:

1. U.S. forces and foreign forces or activities that are planned for employment in support of approved war plans and support activities essential to such forces.
2. Static loading exercises for those units specifically tasked to perform air transportability missions.

Priority 4B: Covers requirements to support:

1. Other U.S. forces or activities and foreign forces or activities.
2. Other non-DoD activities that cannot be accommodated by commercial airlift.
3. Static display for public and military events.